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SANDINIST REVOLUTION DEFENDS ITSELF

Managua. The Nicaraguan Vice-President Sergio Ramírez has said that the Reagan administration is planning to launch a new wave of terrorist acts against the Nicaraguan people. Speaking at a press conference he said the criminal plan devised by Washington includes an attempt to transfer the subversive activities of the CIA and its mercenaries to the Pacific coast of Nicaragua.

The Nicaraguan Government, said S. Ramírez, is doing its duty before Nicaraguans by defending the country against the encroachments of the United States and counter-revolutionaries. The

state of emergency imposed in the country is a necessary measure to stop the sellies by internal reactionaries who play into the hands of the American imperialists.

The Nicaraguan Vice-President pointed out that the Sandinist National army has been carrying out successful campaigns against armed CIA henchmen who have invaded the country. At the moment, the counter-revolutionaries have been deprived of military initiative and are faltered in their actions. He called on the masses to consolidate the country's defences in the face of new US aggressive plans.

Salvadoran patriots launch offensive

Havana. Units of El Salvador's Farabundo Martí National Liberation Front (NLF) have launched a fresh offensive against the troops of Neptuno Duaré's reactionary regime. The Front's radio station Venceremos reports that the patriots are on the offensive in eight of the country's fourteen departments.

At the same time the NLF units continue to block all traffic along the country's roads. In some areas, the rebels have badly damaged a number of po-

wer transmission lines. The large-scale offensive has alarmed the regime's leader forcing him to send members of his family to the United States.

Suffering set-backs on the battlefield, the Salvadoran military are trying to make it up by launching mass reprisals against civilians. According to the Salvadoran human rights commission, nearly 240 civilians were killed in August and September by the troops and death squads, who maintain close links with the authorities.

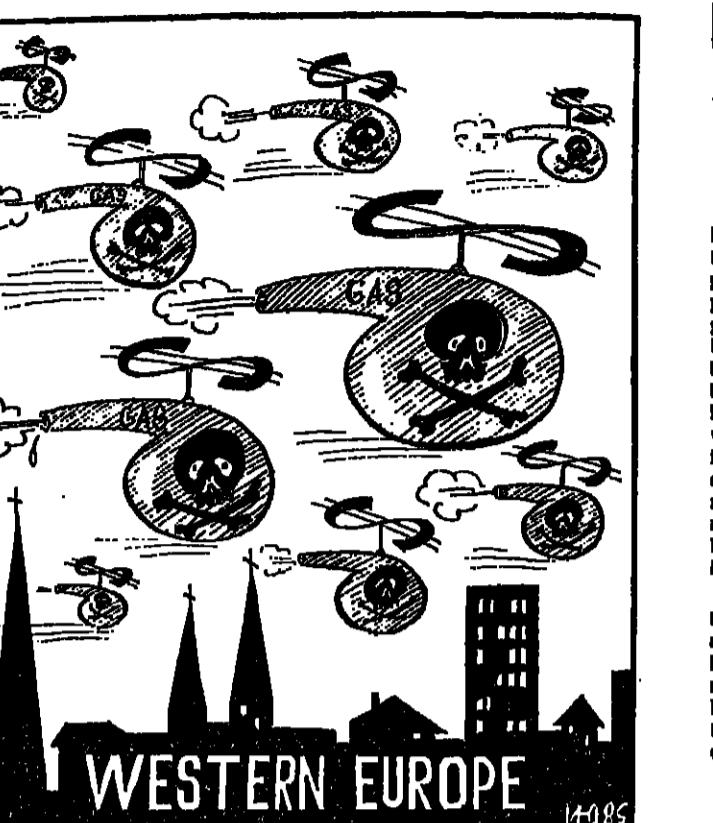
WPC urges mass action

Helsinki. The World Peace Council has urged peace supporters worldwide to launch mass activities against the war threat, thus plans to militarize outer space and for radical reductions in nuclear arms as a step towards their complete destruction, during the week of action for disarmament to be held from October 24 till 30.

A Council statement points out that the implementation of the hazardous "star wars" pro-

gramme would jeopardize the future of humankind. This year, the document emphasizes, the week of action will be held with a view to the Soviet Union's unilateral moratorium on all nuclear tests. The Council urges the governments of nuclear powers, primarily the United States, to show common sense and follow the Soviet example. This would serve the interests of all people and help curb the arms race.

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Transoceanic locusts are coming...

Drawing by Yuri Ivanov

FRESH TRADE WAR SALVOES

Washington. President Reagan has ordered investigations into alleged unfair trade practices by the Common Market countries and South Korea. This White House move is seen as another volley of shots in the trade war against its rivals. According to a statement by a deputy White House press secretary, the investigation to be conducted by the American delegates at trade talks might provide cause for Washington to toughen its protectionist measures such as wheat.

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gan's protectionist policy toward EEC agricultural products. The EEC is also displeased with the Washington's hypocritical decision to lodge a complaint against the EEC's policies with GATT as regards subsidized exports of their agricultural products such as wheat.

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Britain may close down half its pits

London. The National Board of Britain, supporting the Conservative government's planning further closure of pits, according to Arthur Gill, Chairman of the National Union of Miners (NUM). The American Transnational Corporation Union Carbide, as an excuse, the people who were severely injured by the leakage of the 150 tons of cyanide to die in the city's industry, and to make redundant at least 100000 miners. Threatened with closure of newly-born babies died because their mothers were affected by polonium and many cases of children with congenital deformities have been registered.

This programme, planned by the authorities, was disclosed in a report prepared by the Board as a new strategy to mining, the NUM claims. He pointed out that so far, to the contrary by inherent overturn real facts.

FACTS and EVENTS

■ A large group of officials and public figures and veterans of the liberation movement have called on the UN Secretary General to take all necessary steps to implement the International Declaration on the Indian Ocean as a Zone of Peace.

Over the detailed situation in the area, which accounts for more than one-third of the world population.

■ The authors of the document point out that the reasons of this failure are well known. International imperialism has declared the Indian Ocean a zone of their "vital interests". Contrary to the will of the majority of the coastal states, the US continues with its military build-up in the area; it continues to expand its military facilities and to set up new military bases there.

The document indicates that according to reports the US administration intends to turn the Indian Ocean into its firing range where it could test space weapons.

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Nothing can help this boy who has been brought to the medical centre in Bhopal. Photo from "Illustrated Weekly of India"

Australia demands cessation of French nuclear tests

Camberra. Robert Hawke, Prime Minister of Australia, members of government and more than fifty MPs have sent a petition to the French authorities demanding the cessation of nuclear tests on the Mururoa Atoll in the Pacific Ocean as soon as possible.

The petition, reflecting the opinion of the broad sections of the Australian public, was delivered to the Headquarters of the French Squadron, which prevents ships of the International Environment Protection Organization Greenpeace from approaching Mururoa.

Those who oppose the dangerous experiments with nuclear weapons being conducted by Paris stage protest demonstrations close to the shores of this atoll, where France has been conducting atmospheric tests of mass destruction means since 1960s.

In a televised address a Greenpeace representative emphasized the determination of peace fighters to press for the final and complete cessation of the French tests at Mururoa which create a danger of radioactive contamination of nearby islands.

India: achievements in public health protection

AGGA ACCUSES THE WEST

Rome. Cross-examination of the witnesses who were at the trial of the Italian "Achille Lauro" hijacking incident, the progressive press kept emphasizing that the choice of the Italian passenger ship for a terrorist act might be deliberate, since the country's leaders had prior to that condemned the Israeli raid on the PLO headquarters in Tunis. Moreover, press reports had indicated that circles close to the Italian prime minister believed that instead of striving for peace Israel was bent on sabotaging talks which might produce a settlement in the Middle East. This unethical behaviour, to put it mildly, towards allies whom Washington publicly calls its "best" and "loyal" friends, has led many people to question the "positive evolution" of American policy in the Middle East and to think of the serious consequences of an imperialist spurning of basic UN Charter provisions and generally accepted norms of international law. Meanwhile Washington has hinted of a possible punishment for its unmanageable allies.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak stressed he was shocked by the US action which hurt and even humiliated Egyptians. Yet an appropriate statement by the Egyptian Government was met by a still presidential refusal to apologize to Egypt. Incidentally, anti-American sentiments reflected in mass protest demonstrations and in the press, are mounting in Egypt — a country which did a lot in the past to push through US Middle East plans. The present Egyptian leadership, too, has always seen "privileged partner" in the US. In Italy which, under the Bettino Craxi government, made some modest steps towards independence in foreign policy while sticking to the "Atlantic solidarity", circles close to the

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THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SERIES OF 65,000-TONNE ECOLOGICALLY PURE TANKERS HAS BEEN COMPLETED AT THE "ZALIV" SHIPYARDS IN KERCH, A CITY IN THE CRIMEA. The last in this series, called "The 40th Victory Anniversary", has set out on its maiden voyage. The tanker has a double hull which prevents oil pollution.

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FROM the SOVIET PRESS

GLAVKOSMOS — A NEW DEPARTMENT

IZVESTIA writes that Glavkosmos, a major department charged with the development and use of space technology in the interest of the national economy and scientific research, has been set up in the USSR. The newspaper further states that satellite radio and TV communication systems enable the people living in the extreme North, Siberia, the Far East and other remote areas to enjoy programmes televised from the Central Studios. However, long-range communication means often, in addition to interesting TV programmes and the chance to talk with a person several thousand kilometres away, the possibility to swiftly communicate the newspaper texts as well as technical and other documents.

Today satellites enable us to make overall weather and climate observations and to rescue crews and passengers of ships and aircraft in distress. Space surveying of the Earth's surface is indispensable for geological prospecting of mineral resources, evaluating water resources and monitoring the condition of forests and

New and highly pure materials and biologically active substances, the manufacture of which is difficult or simply impossible on Earth, are now being produced.

In other words, it has become necessary to set up a special body to coordinate work on space technology on a national scale. Glavkosmos of the USSR, notes the paper, will also be responsible for the participation in international projects.

Village like city

Present-day villages have many things in common with cities. It is not, therefore, accidental that migration from the countryside into cities has stopped in many parts of the country for the first time. Between 1961 and 1963 it decreased by 8 per cent through the country and by 30 per cent in the Non-Black Earth Zone for the development of which especially vast funds have been set aside in the state budget.

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Daily gas production at Tyumen fields in Western Siberia is now one billion cubic metres. It has taken less than 20 years to reach the mark. Despite difficult accessibility, the Tyumen gas fields have been developed faster than any other deposits in the world. With the climate being rigorous and industrial centres far away, it took basically new methods to open the gas fields up. The deposits were developed



The architect and the collective farm chairman by a scale model of the village. Their plans are to build a swimming pool, a sauna, Russian baths, a stadium and a Palace of Culture.

turn by turn in line with accumulated experience.

Compared with the comprehensive gas treatment units used at the fields five years ago, the ones now being installed are twice as efficient. They are also lighter and occupy twice less space. Such improvements have been very important to gas pool development in the waterlogged tundra.

Long-distance pipeline building has also been picking up

speed. While previously it took two years to lay a gas main, now this is done in less than 12 months.

In 1961 six cross-country gas pipelines were started here. They will connect the European part of the USSR. The one billion cubic metres of gas a day is not the Siberian gas industry workers last word.

They are now developing the Yamburg gas condensate field (the northernmost in Western Siberia), and work is proceeding at full speed ahead on a gas main to the heart of the country. The Yamburg deposit will start supplying natural gas next year.

STUDENT-INVENTORS

Every ten minutes something is invented in this country. Every year nearly ninety thousand inventions are registered. Last year, a club of student-inventors who combine studies with industrial work was set up at the Industrial College of the Likhachov Motorworks in Moscow, reports *PRAVDA*. Members of the club whose inventions have been entered in the USSR Inventions Register are fifteen. They have set themselves an ambitious task for the near future: they have designed a minibus with a fuel of only two litres per one hundred kilometres for cities. This is especially difficult to attain in congested urban conditions, where a motorist has to brake and speed up all too often, thus reducing the mileage per gallon. However, the students' large flywheel meant to prevent the scattering of momentum in braking. The young inventors are now testing their prototype metal car.

HEALTH MIRROR

Research being conducted at the Lvov Medical Institute for about ten years now, proves that in certain cases eye biomicroscopy may furnish more information about human health than routine laboratory examinations, maintains Galina Smirnova, Dr. of Med. Sc. An article published in *SOCIALISTICHESKAYA INDUSTRIYA* (Socialist Industry) she writes that strangely enough the human eye is least of all studied and used for the purpose of diagnostic analysis. It is true that it weighs some seven grammes and its surface is also very small; however, this is not the most important thing.

On the contrary these needs and interests require more, harmony, their human values become more intense that their union becomes even more close.

Promising sphere of energy production

For the first time in history the Soviet Union started the construction of a power unit with a capacity of 580,000 kilowatts operating on the principle of magnetic hydrodynamic (MHD) method transforming heat energy into electric energy. It is planned to complete the construction of the MHD power plant in operation in the next five-year plan period. It is expected that the aggregate efficiency of the plant will reach 50-55 per cent while at modern thermal power plants it ranges from 38 to 40 per cent.

The utilization of new power units in energy production will help cut down fuel consumption in energy generation by up to 30 per cent in the future. In view of the erection of harmful substances into the environment and bring down the air cooling water by 33.4 per cent in comparison with traditional thermal power plants.

Synthetic granite

Sygran, a synthetic material twice as hard as the natural granite for which it is intended to substitute, has been produced in Moscow. It was produced from early slag by adding clay raw materials.

It is mainly advantage in technological plasticity: it can be produced not only in the form of compact slabs but in bands according to the desired length. There is no special equipment needed to produce it; the equipment available now for glass-making industry is sufficient. The production cost of sygran is twice as low as that of natural granite. It can be coloured to imitate not only granite, but also marble and jasper.

Sygran may be used to repair public buildings, theatres, sports facilities, shops and apartment houses. The base of 1.5

metres

in diameter and he inserted them into each section of the intestine and brought them together. The magnets developed a strong connection with each other.

No stitch in internal organs can be considered ideal, said Professor Nikolai Kanshin. In inflicting an additional injury is inflicted upon the tissues under operation. Besides, no thread stitch on the intestine is biologically hermetic.

Professor Kanshin developed and introduced into medical practice the method of connecting tissues by magnets. Such a stitch is absolutely hermetic and it heals much faster. The magnets do not hamper the normal functioning of the intestine. The new method has already been used in 26 operations and all of them were a success.

Places to visit

Pyatigorsk—health-resort city

Several years ago Pyatigorsk marked its 200th anniversary. The health-resort city is located in picturesque surroundings at the foot of the Minushin Mountain, Northern Caucasus. Around Minushin Mountain more than 50 natural springs are known—cold, warm, hot, hydrogen sulphide, chalybeate, salty-saline, etc. It is difficult to find anywhere else in the world a rich collection of "natural cures".

The history of this health resort began with primitive baths with no medical supervision at all. Later, in the 18th century, the Russian Academy of Sciences sent several expeditions to the Northern Caucasus. Results appeared in the press and the curative qualities of local water springs. Pyatigorsk started to quickly gain popularity.

On the basis of designs made by the Italian architect, the Standard brothers, buildings were erected there in the last century. They have become the symbols of the health-resort em-



capital of the famous spa—the Caucasian Mineral Waters, which include three more cities—Kirovsk, Yessentuki and Zhelez-

novodsk. Last year more than 800,000 people underwent treatment there, including 180,000 at Pyatigorsk alone.

Science and technology

VARIOUS FUNCTIONS OF THE SUN

It's searching sun in the Kamen Desert may also produce energy. Solar power plants have appeared. In the sheepfold houses scattered all over the desert. They were designed by Bairam Byshimov, young Turkmen scientist. The plants are also undergoing tests in urban residential buildings.

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Yamburg is a staff member of the Soviet (Sun) scientific and educational association—an envelope running on solar energy.

He is investigating with enthusiasm and putting into practice the ideas of cooling by the use of solar energy.

The shepherd's settlements,

desert, can now be right-

called a self-contained hex-

topolis. In many places

they are fully served by solar energy. This makes their con-

siderably cheaper.

The sun in Turkmenia al-

ways fulfills dozens of func-

tions. It lifts water from wells,

cooks food, dries clothes, and

warms houses all the year

round. The republic's sci-

entific dream of saving up to

3 per cent of fuel consumption

MAGNET CONNECTS LIVE TISSUES

SCIENTISTS AND DOCTORS AT THE MOSCOW AMBULANCE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH INSTITUTE ARE NOW USING A NEW METHOD OF CONNECTING LIVING TISSUES WITH THE HELP OF MAGNETS.

I happened to be present in an operating room, seeing the surgeon's fast and efficient hands.

A sophisticated intestine operation was drawing to an end. I was waiting for the traditional command: "Suture!" and for the operating room nurse to hand over to the surgeon a holder with a threaded needle. But I heard a different command—"Magnets!" The nurse handed me the magnets.

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more than three hundred types of lace items made by women lace weavers at the Vologda "Snezhinka" (Snowflake) association. The country's biggest museum is the Tretyakov Gallery in Moscow and the Russian Museum in Leningrad have unique samples of Vologda laces.

Text and photos by Anatoly Khrupov

In the next Five-Year Development Plan period, growth in the national income and output in all branches of production will, for the first time, be achieved through higher labour productivity. Within the next fifteen years it is planned to build up an economic potential which would equal in scale what has been accumulated over all the previous years of Soviet power.

It has also been decided to almost double the national income and the volume of industrial production. Labour productivity is to go up 2.3-2.5 times.

The Party's plans for the future are closely linked with activating the human factor. Over the past few years, on the initiative of the CPSU, much has been done to enhance and reinforce democracy in Soviet society.

The revised Rules attach considerable importance to further advancement of the political system in the Soviet society, and to fuller implementation of the socialist self-management of the people. This will open up vast possibilities for initiative, energy, living creativity of the masses and their conscious and more integrated approach to the tasks of building the new society.

Chelyabinsk

ENTERTAINMENT

Four Soviet violinists got prizes

The 3rd International Lipinski and Wloniawski Contest of Young Violinists, held in a Polish city of Lubin, has ended. Young musicians (aged under 19) from Austria, Czechoslovakia, Spain, the GDR, Cuba, West Germany, Romania, the USA, and the Soviet Union took part.

All the four Soviet participants performed in the junior age group (under 16) and emerged as winners.

The first place was taken by Ding Huang of China and 11-year-old Maxim Vengerov, a schoolboy from Novosibirsk, while Veselin Panteliov from Bulgaria and Irina Shevlyakova from Gorky came second.

The third place went to Pavel Bernan, a pupil of the central music school attached to Moscow Conservatory.

Soviet violinists also received three special prizes: Maxim Vengerov got the prize of the Ministry of Culture and Arts of Poland, Irina Shevlyakova — a prize from the president of the city of Swidnik, while Sergei Krylov received the prize of the Union of Polish Journalists.

LENINGRAD ACTORS TOUR THE GDR

Actors of the Leningrad Bolshoi Drama Theatre named after Gorky have started their two-week tour of the German Democratic Republic. They are to perform in Berlin, Leipzig, Schwerin.

The tour billboard features the play "Reading Anew" in which the part of Lenin — the leader of the Revolution and founder of the Soviet state — is taken up by Kirill Lavrov. The audience will see another leading actor of the company Yevgeny Lebedev in the musical "The Story of a Horse" based on Leo Tolstoy's "Kholostomy."

During this season our creative contacts with our colleagues from the GDR will expand even more, said the company's chief artistic director Georgi Tsvetkov. We have signed a cooperation agreement with the Drama Theatre of Dresden, a twin-city of Leningrad. There in this city I staged Gogol's "The Inspector-General." Now the Dresden company is "to pay us a return visit" during which a comedy by Kleist "The Broken Jug" will be co-produced.

Obituary

Soviet music has suffered an irreparable loss. Emil Gilels, one of the outstanding Soviet musicians, Professor at Moscow Conservatory and USSR People's Artist, has passed away in his 67th year.

Gilels' remarkable talent was first recognized in the pre-war years when, as a young pianist, he triumphed at the 1st All-Union Musicistic Contest and at international contests in Vienna and Brussels.

He was a leading performer of Russian and foreign classics and of Soviet music. His pupils include talented pianists who brilliantly perform at concerts.



Madrigal musicians

A concert by the Madrigal (an ensemble of soloists) commemorating the 20th anniversary of its foundation, has inaugurated the new season in the Grand Hall of Moscow's Conservatoire — the city's best concert hall. Its gala programme featured 11th-15th-century music of Old and Muscovite Russia, Low Countries, Germany, France, Italy and England.

The Madrigal ensemble was the first to reveal to music lovers the beautiful music of the

Middle Ages, early Baroque Renaissance, Old Rus. The austere and lofty sounds of the charming melodies captivated audiences. This collective is also the initiator of a new trend in musical art which now has a large following. Quite often its programmes are arranged on the monographic principle and deal with composers from a particular country whose art serves as a vivid illustration of musical trends characteristic of that particular time.

LITERATURE—ENVOY OF PEACE

says John Brunner, British writer, President of the European Society of Science Fiction (Eurocon). The notorious "star wars" programme harbours tremendous danger for humanity, about which the Western public is very poorly informed. It looks as if the films from the "star wars" series have mesmerized millions of people to such an extent that they have accepted in advance the inevitability of one more war, this time in outer space. This is a very dangerous illusion. I'm convinced that we, writers, must spread wider the ideas of the movement for peace and detente in the name of the Earth's future, he says in conclusion.

The participants were unanimous in reaffirming today's high responsibility of the writers for the world's destinies.

West German artist H. Gruber, whose works are now on show in Moscow exhibition hall at 25 Gorky St., has been in this country on many occasions. Among the series of pictures devoted to Moscow and included in the present show, are paintings of the Kremlin, Red Square as well as portraits of his Soviet colleagues. Gruber is also a writer, and the show includes illustrations to his own collections of poetry.

Bolshevik Theatre (Sverdlov Sq.) 19 — Molchanov, "Macbeth" (ballet); 20 (mat) — Handel, "Giulio Cesare" (opera); 20 (eve) — Verdi, "La Traviata" (opera).

Stanislavsky and Nemirovich-Danchenko Musical Theatre (17 Pushkinskaya St.) 19 — Verdi, "La Ballaglia di Legnano" (opera); 20 (mat) — Yulinsky, "The Crimson Sails" (ballet); 20 (eve) — Rossini, "The Barber of Seville" (opera); 21 — Pugni, Glare, Vasilenko, "Emperador" (ballet).

Opera and Ballet Theatre (6 Pushkinskaya St.) 19, (mat) — Folman, "Let the Guitars Play"; 19 (eve) — Ilyin, "Comrade Lyubov"; 20 (mat, eve) — Gladkov, "Khodilaych"; 20 (eve) — Milivudin, "Circle in a Flurry"; 21 — Suppe, Miller, as well as jazz; Interprets, "Die schone Gaitane".

H. Gruber, "Moscow".

BUSINESS

Contacts and contracts

On the Soviet side Technolnorgaz has signed a contract for the delivery of a consignment of Soviet-made air conditioners to India. The deliveries are to be effected before the end of 1985. This year, Indian firms, for their part, have filled Technolnorgaz's orders for the delivery of koltsova machines, components for tape recorders, and sewing ma-

chines. The artistic director of the ensemble, Oleg Yanchenko, is a well-known organist, a composer who is successful in many genres. Whatever he composes is remarkable for his original creative rendering, freshness as well as for his firm conviction.

The Madrigal has recently performed his arrangement of Bach's famous piece "The Art of Fugue", dedicated to the 300th anniversary of the great composer's birth. His new composition commemorating the 800th anniversary of the old Russian literary monument "The Lay of Igor's Host" will be played at the "Moscow Autumn" Festival which comes on soon.

The new season will see Soviet and foreign collectives and soloists perform on the stage of the Grand Hall of the Conservatoire. Music lovers will hear both new and old pieces. The season tickets offered by the Moscow State Philharmonic Society will surely satisfy the most demanding musical tastes.

Alexandra YEGIZARYAN

EXPANDING MUTUAL LINKS

The spacious building of the Hungarian Trade Mission in Moscow houses scores of plenipotentiary representatives of Hungarian firms and enterprises closely cooperating with the USSR. One of them, Laszlo Nagy, is in charge of the Moscow office of an optical instrument-making association, MOM. Today, he says, our association produces computers, laboratory instruments and geodetic equipment. Cooperation with Soviet partners plays a major role in production development.

Our fibro optics, for example, is widely used by the Leningrad Krausnayordyest factory in manufacturing endoscopes. In computer technology we cooperate with the Vilnius Sigma factory and related ones in Sovzavodostroy and Penza. Close contacts have been established with 20 more Soviet partners. Now we are opening up a new venue for cooperation in the production of consumer goods just starting at the MOM factory.

In cooperation with the Louvre and other French institutions the Hermitage has started preparing for a large-scale exhibition "Russia-France: Age of Enlightenment", to be mounted by the end of 1986. The display will first be on show in Paris and then moved to the Soviet Union.

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